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**FAIRFIELD MAN INDICTED FOR ORDERING AND POSSESSING
CHILD PORNOGRAPHY**

SACRAMENTO-- United States Attorney McGregor W. Scott announced today that a federal grand jury returned a three-count indictment charging JOHN CHRISTOPHER WOODWORTH, 57, of Fairfield, with attempted receipt and possession of child pornography. The defendant is scheduled to be arraigned on October 10, 2007, at 2:00 P.M.

This case was investigated by the San Francisco Division of the U.S. Postal Inspection Service and is a product of Project Safe Childhood (PSC). Project Safe Childhood is a United States Department of Justice initiative established to increase federal prosecutions of violent sexual predators of children, and to reduce the incidences of Internet crimes against children including child pornography trafficking. For additional information on the PSC initiative, please go to www.projectsafechildhood.gov or call the United States Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of California and ask to speak with the PSC coordinator.

According to Assistant United States Attorney Camil A. Skipper, who is prosecuting the case, the indictment alleges that WOODWORTH ordered a DVD entitled "Cherry Pie" in August 2007. According to the complaint filed earlier in the case, the DVD was described as depicting the forcible rape of a 13- to 14-year-old girl followed by graphic sexual conduct. The

indictment also alleges that WOODWORTH possessed child pornography. According to the complaint, the child pornography was seized from a computer during the execution of a search warrant at WOODWORTH's home on September 19, 2007. As part of the indictment, the government seeks to forfeit WOODWORTH's computer equipment.

The maximum statutory penalty for attempted receipt of visual depictions of minors engaged in sexually explicit conduct is 20 years in prison, with a mandatory minimum sentence of 5 years. The maximum penalty for possessing child pornography is 10 years imprisonment. A conviction for either offense also would require the defendant to serve a term of supervised release and register as a sex offender upon his release from imprisonment. However, any sentence would be imposed at the discretion of the court after consideration of the Federal Sentencing Guidelines, which take into account a number of factors.

The charges are only allegations, and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

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